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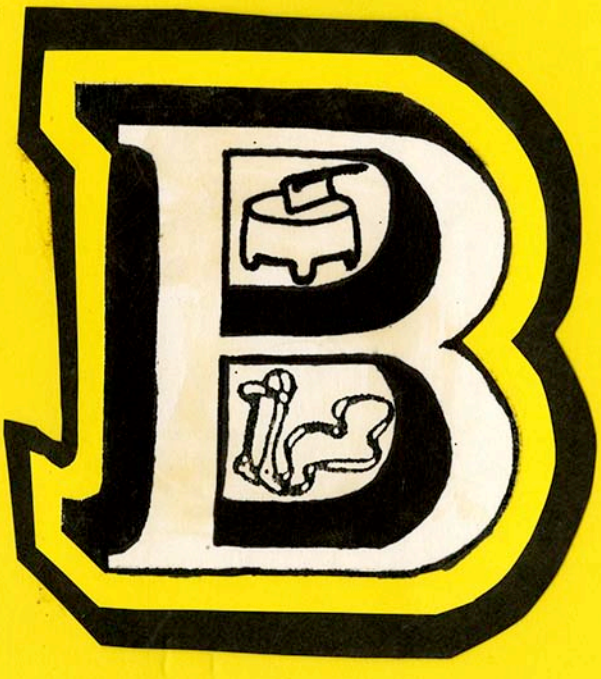
1996  1997

Making Our Mark –

2006-8-9

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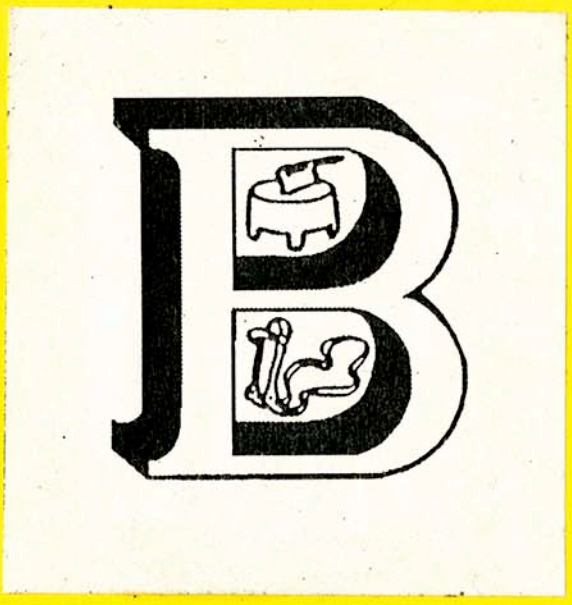


The Block & Bridle Emblem is significant to club members. It represents the principles on which the club is built. Character, sincerity and a moral life are asked of all members when they join and are depicted by the perpendicular lines of the "B". The distinct curves of the "B" are symbolic of the social pleasure, mental energy and determination of members.

The meat block represents the material aspects of our lives. The bridle stands for the behavior of Block & Bridle members; the control over ourselves that we try to maintain, the respect and mannerisms we show toward others, and the way we treat our animals.

Welcome to Fort Hays State University located in Hays, Kansas. The University is home to about 6,000 students. Our Block and Bridle Club membership of 101 students makes us one of the largest student organizations on campus.

Our members made their mark this year by incorporating several new activities that were huge successes. They also continued participating with old activities as well. Whether the members made their mark by producing the first annual Club Calf Sale or by giving the future generations a chance to make their mark through Agricultural Awareness Days, they all came away with a feeling of triumph and confidence that they were able to contribute to the organization. The following pages describe how our members were able to make their mark.

OFFICERS

Tish Busby, Secretary; Tammy Gerlits, Vice-president; Jennifer Watkins, Treasurer; Brian Schafer, President

Brian Schafer
Office: President
Classification: Senior
Major: Animal Science
Hometown: Culbertson, Nebraska

Tammy Gerlits
Office: Vice-president
Classification: Senior
Major: Ag Business
Hometown: Lenora, Kansas

Jennifer Watkins
Office: Treasurer
Classification: Senior
Major: Finance
Hometown: Meade, Kansas

Tish Busby
Office: Secretary
Classification: Senior
Major: Elementary Education
Hometown: St. Francis, Kansas

ADVISORS

Dr. Sandra K. Johnson
Assistant Professor of Agriculture
B.S., University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1982
M.S., University of Missouri-Columbia, 1984
Ph.D., West Virginia University, 1991

Dr. John R. Greathouse
Associate Professor of Agriculture
Chair, Department of Agriculture
B.S., Kansas State University, 1980
M.S, ibid, 1982
Ph.D., Colorado State University, 1985

1996-97 MEMBERS

Sky Baumann
Leland Baxa
Kristin Bemis
Mike Bowman
Kerry Bowman
Mandy Brandenburg
Jared Breinig
Becki Brooks
Billie Brown
Sara Burghart
Tish Busby
Tina Bussen
Ryan Bussman
Philip Butler
Tenille Caprez
Cheryl Clarke
Rhiannon Corn
Kolleen Leiker
Nels Lindsberg
Randy Lix
Josh Lowrie
Tanya Lucore
Greg May
Steve McFall
Terry Miller
Todd Miller
Jamie Mountain
Tiffany O'Neill
Brad Painter
Ryan Parker
C.J. Pfannenstiel
Becky Poore
Russell Pope
Corey Powell

Tammy Dechant
Todd Dickerson
Gabe Doll
Matt Dreiling
Shawna Eberle
Shane Edwards
Tammy Elsen
Chirs Eubank
Pete Feyerabend
Bryon Foose
Tammy Gerlits
Brian Gertsberger
Jason Gerstberger
Becky Goracke
Sarah Gower
Melissa Graham
Jason Hageman
Todd Ragsdale
Rebecca Rahe
Jana Ramononda
Craig Rees
Kevin Rippe
Brandon Roy
Darren Rubottom
Sharla Rubottom
Brian Schafer
Beth Schaller
Windy Scheck
Scott Schmeidler
Dale Seeman
Brandon Seifried
Amanda Shaver
Elodie Sheesley
Bryan Shoemaker

Jared Haggard
Jeff Hammons
Michelle Hattrup
Grant Havel
Summer Hemphill
Sara Hibbard
Cody Hill
Jim Hoffman
Kim Holub
Donnetta Hoss
David Huff
Heather Johnson
Ed Johnson
Kelly Kasey
Sarah Kindt
Sayre Klaus
Troy Laughlin
Jerrod Smith
Mark Sorensen
Shelia Stannard
Shelley Strong
Kristi Strong
Kate Sunderland
Martha Tatro
Lukes Thielenhaus
Shannon Tinkel
Marcella Warner
Jennifer Watkins
Ryan Wiesner
Roy Winklepleck
Tammy Wittman
Mike Zach
Darin Zimmer

MINUTES

Block and Bridle

April 16, 1997

The April 16th Meeting of Block and Bridle was called to order by President Schafer. Secretary Busby read the minutes and Treasurer Watkins gave the on-campus balance of $ 3,411.74 and an off-campus balance of $ 2,997.29.

Sara Hibbard discussed Ag Awareness Days to be held May 1st and 2nd. She said that approxiamately 500 students would be attending. She also asked for volunteers and said to talk to her after the meeting was adjourned, if you are interested in helping.

Grant Havel and Dale Seeman discussed the upcoming Little "I". They informed all contestants that they should be working with their animal as the contest is on Saturday. They also said that a chairman will be at the Pavillion all night Friday so that you can work with your animals and get them ready at any time.

Additional nominations were accepted for 1997-98 officers and elections were held. The 1997-98 officers are Mark Sorenson, President; Jason Gerstberger, Vice-President; Becky Brooks, Secretary; Sara Hibbard, Treasurer; Kerry Bowman and Donetta Hoss, Historian; Todd Miller and Summer Hemphill, Publicity; Brian Gerstberger, Little "I" Chair; Jared Breinig, Little "I" Assistant; Brandon Seifried, JUCO Chair; Matt Dreiling, Dairy Chair; Randy Lix, Livestock Chair; and Sara Burghart and Amanda Shaver, Ag Awareness.

Matt Dreiling moved that the meeting be adjourned and Shelia Stannard seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Tish Busby
Tish Busby
FHSU Block and Bridle Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

		95/96		96/97 (* estimates)			Proposed 97/98	
		Revenue	Expense	Revenue	Expense		Revenue	Expense
	DUES	$1,065	$360	$827	$215		$1,000	$310
	FALL SMOKER	$0	$232	$0	$167		$0	$250
	SPRING SMOKER	$0	$82	$0	$200	*	$0	$200
	HOLIDAY PARTY	$520	$475	$200	$375		$500	$475
	INTRAMURALS	$0	$60	$0	$60	*	$0	$40
	NEW MEMBERS	$240	$478	$334	$428		$300	$500
**	MISCELLANEOUS							
	Mail Service	$0	$223	$0	$300	*	$0	$300
	Film Processing	$0	$252	$0	$200	*	$0	$250
	Office Supplies	$0	$71	$0	$300	*	$0	$250
	Scrapbook	$0	$105	$0	$45		$0	$150
	Allocations	$700		$800			$800	
	FUND RAISERS							
	~~Hats~~	$158	$0	$434	$476	*	$150	$0
	Shirts	$162	$153	$0	$0		$190	$180
	Donations	$1,185	$520	$1,000	$0	*	$1,500	$500
	~~Southwest Dairy Judging~~	$40	$0	$84	$27		$50	$0
	Homecoming/Oktoberfest	$230	$34	$122	$20		$250	$50
**	AG AWARENESS DAY	$0	$800	$0	$800	*	$0	$800
	Allocations	$800		$800			$800	
**	JUDGING TEAM	$0	$4,500	$0	$4,500	*	$0	$4,500
	Allocations	$2,050		$2,100			$4,500	
	CLUB CALF SALE							
	Advertising	$0	$0	$0	$1,450		$0	$1,500
	Auctioner	$0	$0	$0	$600		$0	$600
	Commissions	$0	$0	$2,429	$0		$2,900	$0
	~~Concessions~~	$0	$0	$199	$319		$350	$250
	Equipment/Supplies	$0	$0	$0	$412		$0	$250
	Allocations	$0		$0				
	NATIONAL MEETINGS							
**	Transportation	$0	$1,146	$0	$2,073		$0	$1,094
	Meals	$0	$1,440	$0	$840		$0	$450
**	Motel	$0	$1,091	$0	$1,331		$0	$1,422
**	Registration	$0	$3,432	$0	$1,540		$0	$3,750
	Allocations	$2,500		$2,700			$4,200	
	REGIONAL MEETINGS							
**	Milage	$0	$0	$0	$52		$0	$190
	Meals	$0	$0	$0	$81		$0	$960
**	Motel	$0	$0	$0	$85		$0	$585
**	Registration	$0	$0	$0	$120		$0	$360
	Allocations	$0		$250			$1,500	
	LITTLE INTERNATIONAL							
**	Judges	$0	$500	$0	$500	*	$0	$500
	Awards	$2,038	$2,038	$2,200	$2,200	*	$2,250	$2,250
	Banquet	$1,477	$1,477	$2,100	$2,100	*	$2,200	$2,200
	Dance	$500	$300	$500	$400	*	$500	$450
**	Equipment	$0	$1,292	$0	$1,000	*	$0	$1,000
	Allocations	$1,000		$1,100			$1,500	

		95/96		96/97 (* estimates)			Proposed 97/98	
		Revenue	Expense	Revenue	Expense		Revenue	Expense
	JUCO CONTEST							
**	Judges	$0	$900	$0	$900		$0	$900
	Awards	$0	$608	$0	$471		$0	$625
	Lunches	$0	$344	$0	$493		$0	$350
	Entry Fee	$1,112	$0	$1,200	$0		$2,000	$0
	Banquet	$0	$732	$0	$643		$0	$750
	Allocations	$900		$900			$900	
	FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING							
**	Judges	$0	$300	$0	$300	*	$0	$300
	Awards	$0	$563	$0	$600	*	$0	$600
	Food	$0	$301	$0	$325	*	$0	$325
	Entry Fee	$480	$0	$510	$0	*	$680	$0
	Allocations	$300		$300			$300	
	FFA DAIRY JUDGING							
**	Judges	$0	$50	$0	$50		$0	$50
	Awards	$0	$482	$0	$546		$0	$550
	Food	$0	$168	$0	$244		$0	$200
	Entry Fee	$684	$0	$507	$0		$676	$0
	Allocations	$50		$50			$50	
	SUBTOTAL (Without Allocations)	$9,890	$25,508	$12,646	$27,787		$15,496	$31,216
	STUDENT CONTRIBUTIONS	$7,317					$1,170	
	SUBTOTAL + STUDENT CONTRIB	$17,208	$25,508	$12,646	$27,787		$16,666	$31,216
**	SGA ALLOCATIONS	$8,300		$9,000			$14,550	
	GRAND TOTAL	$25,508	$25,508	$21,646	$27,787		$31,216	$31,216

* = estimates

** = SGA allocations used for or planned usage

President: Brian Schafer
Treasurer: Jennifer Watkins
Advisor: Dr. Sandy Johnson (628-4015)
Advisor: Dr. John Greathouse (628-4196)

MEETINGS

1996-1997 ACTIVITIES

Welcome Back to School Picnic
Initiate Dance
Endowment Association Telethon
FHSU Promotion Booth, Kansas State Fair
Judging Contests
- Northwest District FFA Dairy
- Junior College Livestock
- Southwest District FFA Dairy
- Northwest District FFA Livestock

* Homecoming Booth
* Ag Olympics
* Club Calf Sale
* Christmas Caroling

Christmas Dance
Special Olympics
National Meeting--January 24-27, 1997
- 12 members attended meetings in Orlando, Florida

Ag Awareness Day
End of Year Picnic
Speakers:
- Lee Leachman, Billings, Montana
  - "Do you have a Future in the Business of Agriculture?"
- Temple Grandin, Colorado State University
  - "Livestock Handling"

* Indicates new activities.

JUDGING CONTESTS

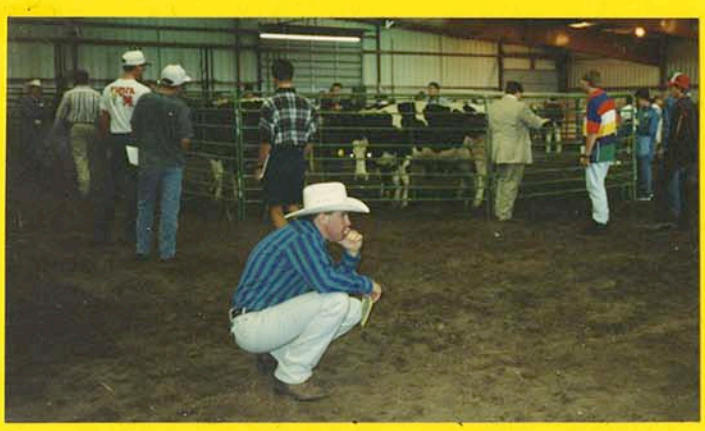
NORTHWEST DISTRICT FFA DAIRY

JUNIOR COLLEGE LIVESTOCK

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT FFA DAIRY

NORTHWEST DISTRICT FFA LIVESTOCK

NORTHWEST DISTRICT FFA DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST



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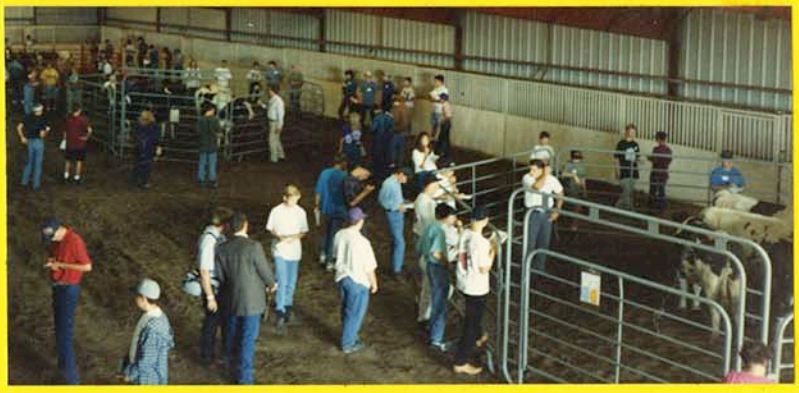
SOUTHWEST DISTRICT FFA DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST



NORTHWEST DISTRICT FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

PUBLICITY

BACK-TO-SCHOOL PICNIC

STATE FAIR

HOMECOMING BOOTH

FHSU

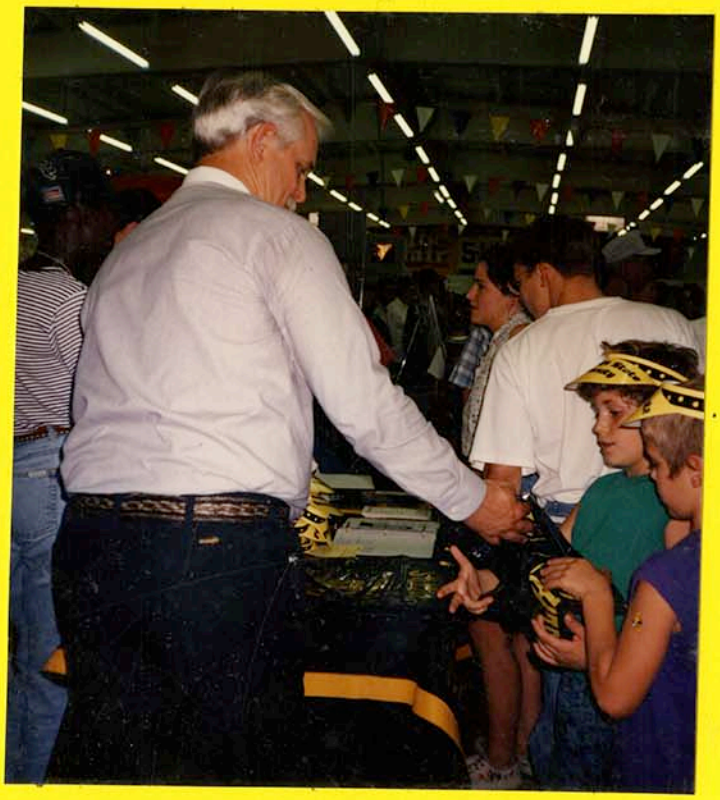
BACK-TO-SCHOOL PICNIC

Each year the Block & Bridle Club helps serve the Back-to-School Picnic, which is open to the entire student body. This gives students, both new and old, the chance to know the club is available for them to join.

The club received extra publicity when a local radio station interviewed President Brian and Vice-president Tammy regarding what Block & Bridle is, and what it does.

STATE FAIR

At the Kansas State Fair each fall, Block & Bridle members and advisors sit at the Fort Hays State promotion booth to bring in prospective members and students.



HOMECOMING BOOTH

As a new activity, Block & Bridle sponsored a cow-milking booth at Hays' annual Oktoberfest celebration. People could milk a cow for a dollar. This attracted both young and old, because some of the youth had neve seen a dairy cow, and it brought back memories for the elders. By the end of the day, many bragged, "I milked a cow!"

I Milked A Cow!

CLUB ACTIVITIES

WELCOME BACK BBQ

AG OLYMPICS

SPEAKER

CLUB CALF SALE

NATIONAL CONVENTION

LITTLE INTERNATIONAL

WELCOME BACK BBQ

A welcome back BBQ is held for the returning Block & Bridle members and potential initiates. At the meeting everyone is introduced so that new members have the opportunity to get acquainted with everyone. After the meeting, everyone heads straight for a delicious meal.

AG OLYMPICS

SPEAKER

LEE LEACHMAN of Billings, Montana

"Do you have a Future in the Business of Agriculture?"

CLUB CALF SALE

The newest and possibly biggest event of the year was the Prospect Show Steer and Heifer Sale. This event took a lot of time and effort from not only the committee, shown below, but also the entire club. Consignors and buyers came from all across Kansas, and from Colorado and Nebraska. The first sale was successful, and the club hopes to make this an annual event.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

In January, twelve members and one advisor traveled to Orlando, Florida, to attend the 1997 Block & Bridle National Convention. While in Florida, they attended meetings, listened to speakers, learned about Florida's agriculture, and still had time to sight-see. The group enjoyed themselves as they met with people from all over the United States and learned about the wide variety offered in the field of agriculture.

B&B '97

Welcome To Orlando!

LITTLE INTERNATIONAL

On April 19, 1997, the Block & Bridle Club hosted the 24th Annual Little International Fitting and Showing Contest. The event is open to all students enrolled in the university full time. This year the chair for the event was Grant Havel, who was assisted by Dale Seeman. A lot of hard work was put into the preparation for the show by all members, participants, officers and sponsors.

LITTLE INTERNATIONAL BANQUET

APRIL 19, 1997
6:00 p.m.

WELCOME ..... Brian Schafer

INVOCATION ..... Brian Schafer

DINNER ..... Ham &Roast Beef Buffet

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS ..... Dr. John Greathouse

RECOGNITION OF 1996-1997 OFFICERS ..... Brian Schafer

INTRODUCTION OF 1997-1998 OFFICERS ..... Brian Schafer

SLIDE PRESENTATION ..... Donnetta Hoss
Kerry Bowman

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Graduate of Distinction Award ..... Dr. John Greathouse
Club Awards ..... Dr. John Greathouse
Dr. Sandy Johnson
Little "I" Awards ..... Grant Havel

Everyone is welcome to attend the dance immediately following the banquet at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Schoenchen, KS

AWARD WINNERS

Swine
Grand Champion _____
Reserve Champion _____
Champion Novice _____

Dairy
Grand Champion _____
Reserve Champion _____
Champion Novice _____

Horse
Grand Champion _____
Reserve Champion _____
Champion Novice _____

Sheep
Grand Champion _____
Reserve Champion _____
Champion Novice _____

Grand Champion Overall _____
Reserve Champion Overall _____
Grand Champion Team
_____
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Reserve Champion Team
_____
_____
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Beef
Grand Champion _____
Reserve Champion _____
Champion Novice _____
Outstanding Herdsman Award _____

1997 Little "I" Showmen

Swine

330	Leland Baxa
332	Mandy Brandenburg
336	Travis Brunner
338	Sara Burghart
339	Tish Busby
341	Philip Butler
342	Rhiannon Corn
344	Brooke Davis
345	Matt Dreiling
347	Bryon Foose
348	Lynnlea Fryman
351	Melissa Graham
357	Ed Johnson
358	Josh Lowrie
360	Terry Miller
361	Jamie Nurnberg
362	Tiffany O'Neill
363	Kalyn Osthoff
365	Russell Pope
366	Suzann Pryor
367	Jana Ramonda
368	Sarah Robben
369	Chad Rupp
370	Brian Schafer
372	Brandon Seifried
373	Amanda Shaver
374	Laurie Shaver
375	Cindy Shook
377	Sheila Stannard
378	Martha Tatro
379	Jennifer Watkins

Sheep

331	Kerry Bowman
343	Amanda Davis
347	Bryon Foose
353	Summer Hemphill
358	Josh Lowrie
360	Terry Miller
361	Jamie Nurnberg
362	Tiffany O'Neill
363	Kalyn Osthoff
364	Becky Poore
367	Jana Ramonda
369	Chad Rupp
370	Brian Schafer
371	Michelle Schroeder
372	Brandon Seifried
378	Martha Tatro
380	Tammy Wittman

Dairy

331	Kerry Bowman
335	Chad Brummer
343	Amanda Davis
345	Matt Dreiling
346	Patrica Duffy
351	Melissa Graham
353	Summer Hemphill
354	Phil Hendrickson
355	Jennifer Hendrickson
370	Brian Schafer
371	Michelle Schroeder
375	Cindy Shook
380	Tammy Wittman

Horse

346	Patrica Duffy
348	Lynnlea Fryman
349	Tammy Gerlits
350	Brian Gerstberger
351	Melissa Graham
362	Tiffany O'Neill
367	Jana Ramonda
375	Cindy Shook
381	Anne Woods

Beef

331	Kerry Bowman
333	Jared Breinig
334	Becki Brooks
337	Joe Burgardt
347	Bryon Foose
356	Sara Hibbard
359	Tanya Lucore
362	Tiffany O'Neill
365	Russell Pope
366	Suzann Pryor
369	Chad Rupp
370	Brian Schafer
372	Brandon Seifried
379	Jennifer Watkins

1997 LITTLE INTERNATIONAL

Little "I"

Chair	Grant Havel
Assistant	Dale Seeman

Beef

Judge	Tim Zenger
Chair	Jason Gerstberger
Assistant	Philip Butler

Dairy

Judge	Randy Huser
Chair	Mark Sorensen
Assistant	Matt Dreiling

Horse

Judge	James Kirby
Chair	Tanya Lucore
Assistant	Tammy Gerlits

Sheep

Judge	Noel Ketzner
Chair	Tish Busby
Assistant	Rhiannon Corn

Swine

Judge	Val Reiss
Chair	Brian Gerstberger
Assistant	Brandon Seifried

Banquet

Chair	Sara Hibbard
Assistants	Heather Johnson
	Becky Poore
	Jennifer Watkins

Lunch

Chair	Laurie Shaver

1997 Little "I" Awards
Donors

GOLD (over $150)

Bar-B Tack, Etc.
Ellis County Dairy Supply
Fitzsimmons Farms
Al Graf
Murphy Family Farms
Ochs, Inc.
TL Cattle, Co

BRONZE (under $50)

Ellis County Feeders
Emprise Bank
Robin Graver
Offerle National Bank
Andy Riegel
Jack Schmitt
Gary Shapland
United Ag Services, Inc.
Denise Youtsey

NATIONAL BLOCK & BRIDLE CLUB

OUR BEGINNING

December 2, 1919, student representatives from four animal husbandry clubs met in Chicago and formed the National Block & Bridle Club. The local clubs became chapters in the new national organization. These charter chapters were Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska. The roster of Block & Bridle clubs has since grown throughout the United States to ninety-three members. The objectives of the organization are:

1. To promote higher scholastic standing among animal science students.
2. To promote animal science, especially all phases of animal science work in colleges & universities.
3. To bring about a closer relationship among students pursing some phase of animal science as a profession.

THE EMBLEM

The perpendicular of the **B** represents straight moral characteristics, sincerity, and honor. The two curves required to complete the letter **B** represent the fundamentals upon which we base our social pleasure, mental energy, and moral force. The meat block represents the material aspects of our life. The bridle stands for the behavior of B&B members, the control over ourselves that we try to maintain, the mannerisms and respect we show toward others, and the way which we treat animals.

BLOCK & BRIDLE CLUB OFFICERS

1996-1997		1997-1998	
President	Brian Schafer	President	Mark Sorensen
Vice President	Tammy Gerlits	Vice President	Jason Gerstberger
Secretary	Tish Busby	Secretary	Becki Brooks
Treasurer	Jennifer Watkins	Treasurer	Sara Hibbard
Historian	Donnetta Hoss	Historian	Kerry Bowman
	Kerry Bowman		Donnetta Hoss
Publicity	Tanya Lucore	Publicity	Todd Miller
	Sara Hibbard		Summer Hemphill
JUCO Chair	Brandon Seifried	JUCO Chair	Brandon Seifried
Little "I" Chair	Grant Havel	Little "I" Chair	Brian Gerstberger
Assistant	Dale Seeman	Assistant	Jared Breinig
Club Calf Sale Chair	Tammy Gerlits	Club Calf Sale Chair	Brian Schafer
Dairy Chair	Bryon Foose	Dairy Chair	Matt Dreiling
Ag. Awareness Chair	Sara Hibbard	Ag. Awareness Chairs	Amanda Shaver
			Rhiannon Corn
FFA Livestock	Sheila Stannard	FFA Livestock	Randy Lix

1996-1997 BLOCK & BRIDLE CLUB FACTS

Number of initiates	60
Total club membership	103
% of non-Agriculture majors	42%

1996-1997 ACTIVITIES

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Speaker
- Lee Leachman - Billings, Montana
  - "Do you have a Future in the Business of Agriculture?"

COMING ACTIVITIES

April 24 - Northwest District FFA Livestock Judging Contest
May 1 & 2 - Ag Awareness Day
May 7 - End of year picnic
June 10 - Speaker - Temple Grandin - "Livestock Handling"

NEW ACTIVITIES

Ag Olympics
Christmas Caroling
Club Calf Sale
Homecoming Booth

CLUB AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

5th Place Scrapbook
- National B&B meetings, Orlando, FL

4th Place Chapter Activities
- National B&B meetings, Orlando, FL

FHSU Block & Bridle
1996-1997 Members

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Leland Baxa
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Michelle Hattrup
Grant Havel
Summer Hemphill
Sara Hibbard
Cody Hill
Jim Hoffman
Kim Holub
Donnetta Hoss
David Huff
Heather Johnson
Ed Johnson
Kelly Kasey
Sarah Kindt
Sayre Klaus
Troy Laughlin

Kolleen Leiker
Nels Lindsberg
Randy Lix
Josh Lowrie
Tanya Lucore
Greg May
Steve McFall
Terry Miller
Todd Miller
Jamie Mountain
Tiffany O'Neill
Brad Painter
Ryan Parker
C.J. Pfannenstiel
Becky Poore
Russell Pope
Corey Powell
Todd Ragsdale
Rebecca Rahe
Jana Ramonda
Craig Rees
Kevin Rippe
Brandon Roy
Darren Rubottom
Sharla Rubottom
Brian Schafer
Beth Schaller
Windy Scheck
Scott Schmeidler
Dale Seeman
Brandon Seifried
Amanda Shaver
Elodie Sheesley
Bryan Shoemaker
Jerrod Smith
Mark Sorensen
Sheila Stannard
Shelley Strong
Kristi Strong
Kate Sunderland
Martha Tatro
Lukes Thielenhaus
Shannon Tinkel
Marcella Warner
Jennifer Watkins
Ryan Wiesner
Roy Winklepleck
Tammy Wittman
Anne Woods
Michelle Young
Mike Zach
Darin Zimmer

Congratulations to our graduating seniors!
Thanks for many hours of dedicated work.

Tammy Elsen - Bangor, WI

Bryon Foose - Stratton, CO

Jared Haggard - Burden, KS

David Huff - Norcatur, KS

Heather Johnson - Glasco, KS

Becky Poore - Stockton, KS

Darren Rubottom - Ransom, KS

Sharla Rubottom - Liebenthal, KS

Laurie Shaver - Dodge City, KS

Shelley Strong - Spearville,KS

Marcella Warner - Spearville, KS

Mike Zach - Wayne, NE

HISTORY OF LITTLE I

Chairs	Chair	Round Robin Winner
1971 -	1984 - Neal Beetch	Les Shoemaker
1972 - Robert Siefkes	1985 - Greg Beetch	
1973 - Vernon Wenger	1986 - Jack Schmitt	
1974 - Bill Jones	1987 - Mark Hammeke	
1975 - Duane Kelly	1988 - Jay Brack	
1976 - Joe Cornwell	1989 - James Sechrist	
1977 -	1990 - Tim Zenger	Ed DeBauche
1978 -	1991 - Rob Rahe	Jayne Dick
1979 -	1992 - Brendon Osborn	
1980 -	1993 - Anita Sakala	Randy Huser
1981 -	1994 - Eric Dexter	Stacy Barth
1982 -	1995 - Aaron Lewis	Jason Wolff
1983 -	1996 - Amy DuBois	Brandon Seifried
	1997 - Grant Havel	

We are trying to compile some club history. If you can make corrections or additions to the above information please let us know.

Judging Team

This year we have a new coach, Scott "Bronc" Barrows. He is from Ness City, Kansas and has judged on the Colby Community College National Champion Livestock Team in 1981 and was high Individual at the National Western Stock Show in Denver Colorado. At Kansas State University, he was a member of the 1983 National Champion Livestock Team and was High Individual at the National Horse Judging Contest in 1984. Bronc has great livestock judging experience and is looking forward to coaching the team in national competition.

1997 Junior Livestock Judging Team

Jared Breinig - *Araphoe, NE*
Jason Dvorak - *Lacoma, MO*
Adrien Hertel - *Bird City, KS*
Quint Huncovsky - *Cuba, KS*
Randy Lix - *Wright, KS*
C.J. Pfannenstiel - *Ellis, KS*

1997 Contests

The judging team competed at the Kansas Beef Expo in Wichita on March 12. The Beef Expo is a tune-up for the National Association of Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture national competition April 26 at Panhandle State University. Next year, members will be competing at several fall and spring contests.

Agriculture Department

Faculty

Dr. John Greathouse, Chair
Dr. Garry Brower
Dr. Jean Gleichsner
Dr. Sandy Johnson
Dr. Neil Patrick
Dr. Brent Spaulding
Dr. Robert Stephenson
Scott Barrows

Student Government Association Senator

Melissa Graham

Staff

Beef and Horse Unit	Gary Rolland
Crop Unit	Steve Engelhardt Harland Werth
Dairy Unit	Stephanie Eckroat Mike Hammerschmidt
Sheep and Swine Unit	Kevin Huser
Secretary	Janet Knipp

NAMA

The National Agri-Marketing Association (NAMA) is an organization of Fort Hays State University students and established business professionals involved in agriculture marketing, sales, journalism, and other related areas. The FHSU NAMA chapter was formed in the fall of 1993 by interested students and professors.

Throughout this past year, members have worked on several fund raisers including participation in Ellis County Landfill "Litter Lotto" and selling T-shirts during Octoberfest. Funds were also raised by helping Dr. Patrick in a construction project. The members have used the funds for the National meeting. Members attended a Great Plains NAMA chapter meeting in Wichita where the market presentation was given as a practice session. Convention in Nashville, TN where the market presentation was made in competition.

NAMA has proven to be very beneficial to students who are looking for employment; the organization has given them opportunities to speak with professionals one-on-one, thus enabling them to network with potential employers in the agriculture field.

President - Tom Wapp, Frankfort, KS
Vice President - Tammy Gerlits, Lenora, KS
Secretary - Marcella Warner, Spearville, KS
Treasurer - Shawn Lindenman, Morland, KS
Advisors - Dr. Brent Spaulding
Dr. Neil Patrick

Delta Tau Alpha

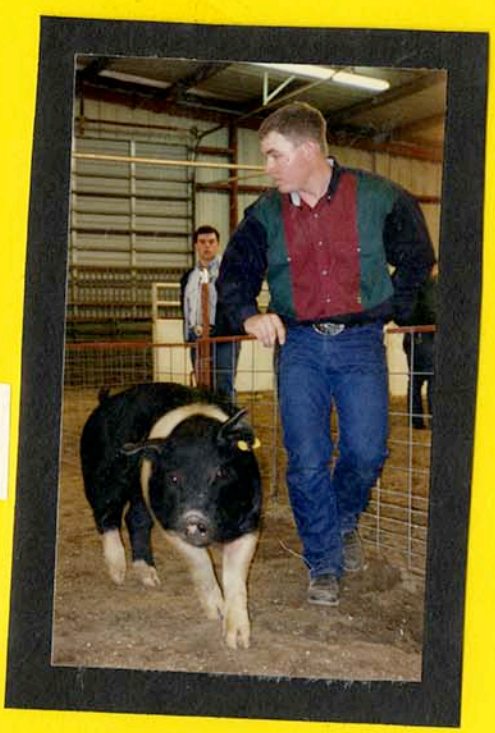
The honor society of Delta Tau Alpha recently returned from attending the 38th National Convention at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, LA. Chapter President, Travis Crites and John Minèt represented FHSU at the convention. The FHSU DTA Chapter won first place in the Corbus Book Competition, which is a yearbook of the chapter's activities (the chapter received a plaque and $150). Chapter members participated in the Ag Quiz Bowl (15 teams competed), business meetings, an area tour of CAMECO (manufacturer of sugarcane equipment, tree harvesting equipment, and John Deere field sprayers) and social activities (crayfish feed and dance). Dr. Robert Stephenson continues to serve as National Treasurer (this will start his sixth year in that position).

President - Travis Crites, Idalia, CO
Vice President - Melvin Rodarmel, St. John, KS (Fall)
Marcella Warner, Spearville, KS (Spring)
Secretary - Kate Shepard, Yates Center (Fall)
Kurt Wilson, Hays, KS (Spring)
Treasurer - Stephanie Helms, Linn, KS
Advisor - Dr. Jean Gleichsner
National Treasurer - Dr. Robert Stephenson

Over the past year, DTA has been active both on- and off- campus. The chapter participated in keeping 2-miles of adopted highway near Hays clean, the Homecoming Banner Contest, the Wellness Fair, the Endowment Phonathon, the Christmas Tree Angel Program and sponsored two pitch card tournaments. This spring the 4th Annual Ag Quiz Bowl was held with six teams testing their knowledge in the areas of plant science, soil science, animal science, and agribusiness. The team of Tammy Gerlits, Ty Gerlits, and Brian Gerstberger was victorious. The chapter has a web site at http://www.fhsu.edu/agriculture/dta.html to allow members and alumni access to current information about the chapter. In the upcoming year, the FHSU DTA Chapter will continue to serve the department, university, and community.

SWINE

Grand Champion Swine Showman: Bryon Foose



Reserve Champion Swine Showman: Brian Schafer

Champion Novice Swine Showman: Brian Schafer

DAIRY

Grand Champion Dairy Showman: Brian Schafer

Champion Novice Showman: Brian Schafer

Not Pictured:

Reserve Champion Dairy Showman: Patricia Duffey

BEEF

Grand Champion Beef Showman: Tanya Lucore

Reserve Champion Beef Showman: Brandon Seifried

Champion Novice Showman: Sara Hibbard

HORSE

Grand CHampion Horse Showman: Jana Romanda

Reserve Champion Horse Showman: Brian Gerstberger

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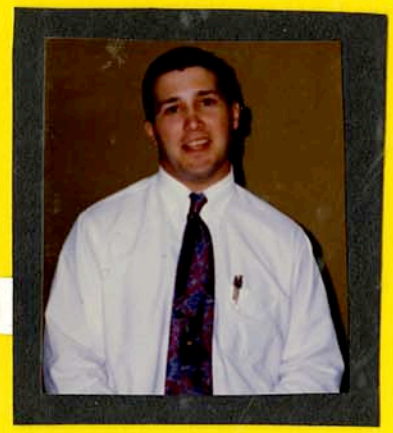
Champion Novice Horse Showman: Patricia Duffey

SHEEP

Grand Champion Sheep Showman: Tiffany O'Neill



Reserve Champion Sheep Showman: Brandon Seifried

Champion Novice Sheep Showman: Brandon Seifried

CHAMPIONS

Grand Champion Overall: Tiffany O'Neill

Grand Champion Team: Brian Schafer
Brandon Seifried
Tiffany O'Neill

AWARDS

Outstanding Senior: Brian Schafer

Outstanding Soph/Jr.: Sara Hibbard

Outstanding Initiate: Brian Gerstberger

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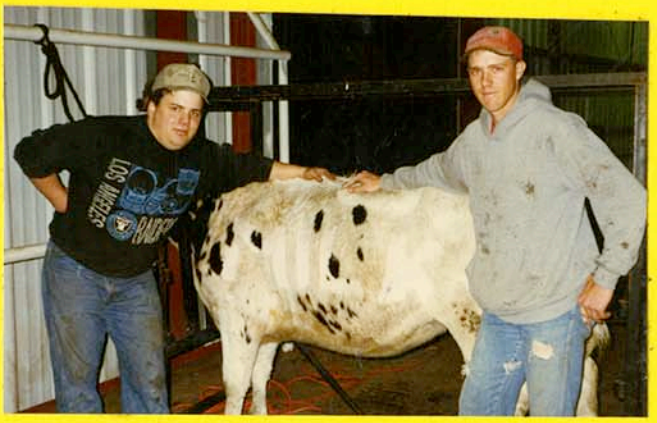
Workhorse Award: Grant Havel

Honorary Member: Gerry Forsythe



DANCE

A Block & Bridle event would not be complete without a DANCE!!! After everyone enjoyed the delicious dinner of the Little International Awards Banquet, they drove 12 miles to Schoenchen, Kansas, to finish off the evening by relaxing and dancing the night away.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

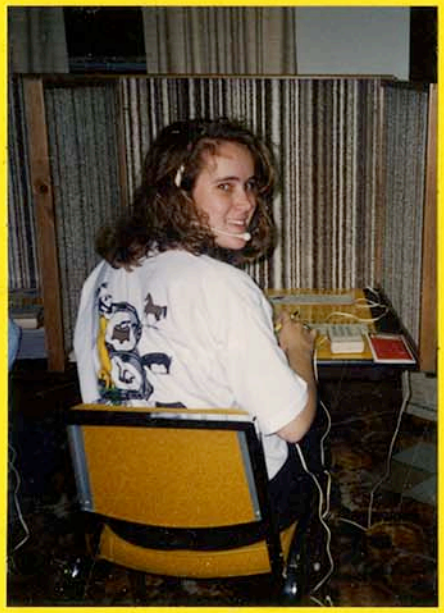
ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION TELETHON

AGRICULTURE AWARENESS DAY

OTHER

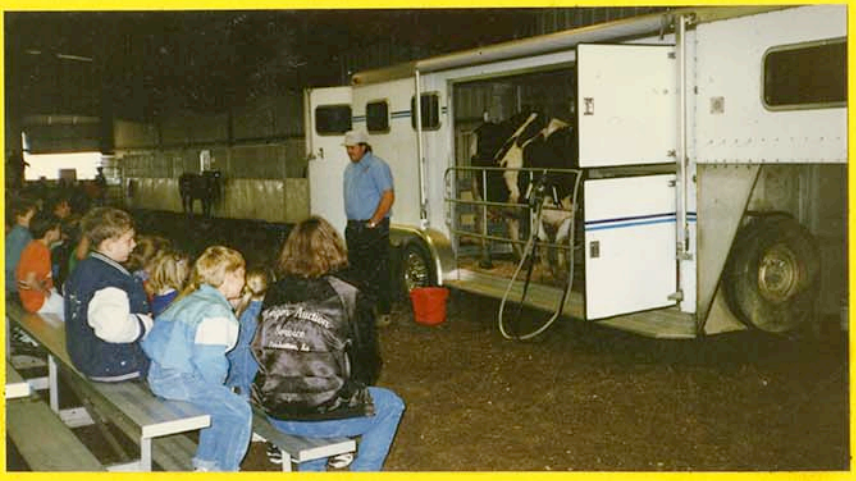
ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION TELETHON

Each year the Fort Hays State University Endowment Association works to raise money for scholarships for FHSU students by sponsoring a telethon. Block & Bridle helps with this annual event every year.



AGRICULTURE AWARENESS DAY

Ag Awareness Day is a time for elementary school children to become aware of the agriculture scene. As shown, many students enjoyed petting the animals and asking questions about the animals. This day is prosperous for many of the kids, as they have fun and learn at the same time.



OTHER

For the first time in Several Years, Block & Bridle went Christmas Caroling. The Nursing Club invited the club to join them as they spread holiday cheers to several nursing homes in Hays.

Another event Block & Bridle volunteers to help with is the Special Olympics. Hays is the site for this event each year, and this gives club members a chance to help those who are less fortunate.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

INITIATE DANCE

CHRISTMAS DANCE

END-OF-YEAR PICNIC & DANCE

INITIATE DANCE

At the beginning of each school year, the new initiates of the club jump into the activities by hosting a dance. All of the members look forward to this every year since it gives thenew members a chance to get to know everybody and the old members an opportunity to catch up with all of their friends after working hard all summer.

A new event for the initiates was a T-shirt decorating contest. Above are all of the contestants and to the right are the winners.

CHRISTMAS DANCE

As one can see, our Block & Bridle members definitely get into the Christmas spirit, by putting on and attending the Christmas Dance. No Scrooges here!!

END-OF-YEAR PICNIC & DANCE

To celebrate the end of another shool year, Block & Bridle had a BBQ and dance. The event gave members a chance to say good-bye for the summer and to celebrate the friendships they made througout the school year.

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